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DECISION ON REQUEST TO  
WITHDRAW FROM RECORD

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This is a decision on the request to withdraw as attorney of record filed February 14, 2000.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney of record should indicate thereon the present mailing addresses of the attorney(s) who is/are withdrawing from the record and of the applicant. The request for withdrawal must be signed by every attorney seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The effective date of withdraw being the date of decision and not the date of request, see M.P.E.P. § 402.06. 37 C.F.R. § 1.36 further requires that the applicant or patent owner be notified of the withdrawal of the attorney or agent.

The request is **GRANTED**.

It is noted that the Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent is only effective for Christopher H. Lynt, since he is the only attorney/agent specifically mentioned in the request and there is no other indication that he is signing on behalf of the other practitioners. It is noted that the Patent and Trademark Office does not recognize law firms as such and the Request as filed is not effective for all practitioners listed in the duly executed Declaration.

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